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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT WITH NATIONAL COUNCIL ON
CRIME AND DELINQUENCY**

This is to inform your Board that the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) intends to negotiate a sole source contract with the National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD). Through this contract, the Children's Research Center (CRC), a division of NCCD, would provide consulting services, Technical Assistance (TA), and Subscription services for the SafeMeasures® application. Additionally, the contract provides maintenance and support services for the Structured Decision Making (SDM) web-based application and DCFS' Police Mandated Reporter (PMR) web-based application. The Police Mandated Report application allows all mandated reporters the ability to access, within one hour, the online Suspected Child Abuse Report (SCAR) they are required to fill out. The contract also provides support for the SDM application. DCFS social workers utilize the SDM assessment tools at the Hotline, Emergency Response and during ongoing services to assess child safety, risk of maltreatment and permanency.

This contract provides consulting for development and ongoing TA (by phone, e-mail, and on-site visit), annual SDM management and Specialized Reports, web-based application support, as needed, and SafeMeasure® Subscription renewal. The SafeMeasures® application contains over 140 management reports and is utilized by the State to monitor department performance compliance with CWS/CMS data entry. Utilization of this application is required by all SCSWs and ARAs to monitor key performance measures. The estimated cost for SDM consulting services, TA, SDM and Police Mandated Report applications support, management and specialized reports and the SafeMeasures® Subscription services contract is \$164,438 per year for a total of \$493,314 for the three-year contract.

The current SDM services contract with NCCD was procured by negotiation and will expire on December 31, 2011. A procurement by negotiation is normally limited for a one-year period per State regulations. Due to unique circumstances, DCFS requested the State to approve a

three-year contract term, effective January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2014. The State approved DCFS' request on May 27, 2011. It is anticipated that the negotiation with this agency will occur in the near future.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me or your staff may contact Aldo Marin, Acting Board Liaison, at (213) 351-5530.

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